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Mr. Peel -

1. Today I discussed with Mr. [REDACTED] of ONE the point of including journeyman professional personnel positions in the T/O of the Specialist Group of ONE. Mr. [REDACTED] agreed with me that this type of support should rightfully be supplied by the area desks of OCI. In fact, he indicated that ONE would have no need for any specialist group if OCI was able and willing to render the support ONE required. Presently, ONE has a Specialist Group consisting of 19 professional and 9 clerical positions. The attached T/O action reduces this total by 4 professional positions which leaves 15 professional and 9 clerical positions, a total of 24 positions. Presently, 11 professional and 5 clerical positions are encumbered or a total of 16 employees. 25X1A9a

2. Mr. [REDACTED] indicated that ONE would require "pick and shovel" type work from OCI, such as drafting intelligence memoranda for review by the National Estimates Board. It gets such assistance from ORR and OSI. Presently, OCI says it will verbally brief ONE but cannot spare personnel to do drafting for ONE since the current intelligence job has first priority and requires the full attention of all its personnel in the critical world areas. The problem appears to be "What changes are required in the OCI table of organization and statement of functions to enable it to render ONE the required support?" 25X1A9a

3. I indicated to Mr. [REDACTED] that I would recommend to you the following action: 25X1A9a

a. Concurrence in the requested T/O with the provision that it be re-examined if action indicated in the following paragraph is taken.

b. Initiation of a staff study in which ONE, OIC and OCI would participate to obtain agreement on ~~the~~ changes required in OCI organization and functions to enable OCI to provide requisite support to ONE. Then, obtain concurrences of the ADs concerned to the recommendations and transmit to the DD(I) for approval and action.

4. The approach I should like to use in such a study would be:

a. Determination of changes in area coverage assignments of OCI specialists so that such coverage is two deep, thus permitting one to give full time and attention to OCI publications and the other to be available as needed by ONE. (ONE would be satisfied with the No. 2 man, according to Mr. [REDACTED]. The T/O and personnel of the present Specialist Group would be included in such planning. 25X1A9a

b. The temporary assignment of ONE specialists to OCI for a trial period pending final transfer of positions and incumbents if the plan is successful.